Minutes of the
Utah Technology Industry Council Meeting
Held June 24, 2003 at the DCED

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 am. In attendance were:

Paul Clayson	-	Fonix Corporation – Chair
Dave Harmer	-	State of Utah-DCED
Rod Linton	-	State of Utah-DCED
John Sutherland	-	
Stan Lockhart	-	Micron
Mark Renda	-	State of Utah-DCED
Suzanne Winters	-	Batelle
Kevin Cummings	-	ATK Aerospace
Brice Wallace	-	Deseret News
Rob Murdock	-	Fonix Corporation
Sharon Cox	-	State of Utah-DCED

Welcome and Introductions: The chairman introduced Rob Murdock who he invited to the meeting to discuss the development of the UTIC website. Mr. Murdock helped develop the website for the original Technology Industry working group.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the last minutes were approved with no corrections.

Report of assignments from previous meeting:

Assignment "a"   ***Develop standards of measurement of success based on the criterion of the top 3 – 5 most recognized national rankings. Rod Linton, Suzanne Winters and Stan Lockhart volunteered to work on this:***

This assignment is not yet completed. The next step for this working group is to develop a list of the top measurement indicators. The group will meet again on July 1st and will come prepared with additional information at the next Council meeting.

Assignment "b"   ***Research best practices in other states. Mark Renda and John Sutherland will work on this.***

This assignment is not yet completed. Suzanne Winters will forward reports and other information that she has on this subject to this working group. The group will meet with the DBED Board Sub-committee that is working on best practices to coordinate efforts.

Charter progress: The Chairman presented a draft of the Charter to the Council members for their review. After discussing a number of changes and corrections to the document, the amended draft Charter was approved by the Council.

The Chairman and Rod Linton will meet with Rich North on Thursday June 26 to discuss the development the Charter.

Recommendations for additional Council members: The Chairman informed the members that he is in the process of contacting the 4 additional Council members who were nominated at the last meeting. He has spoken with Rich Nelson and scheduled a meeting with him. The Chairman expects to speak with each of the other 3 nominees within the coming week.

The following names were presented for consideration as additional Council members:

Jim Jensen   – NPS Pharmaceuticals
Larry Rigby   – ZARS
Danish Patel   - vSpring
David Clarke   – NPS Pharmaceuticals

The chairman asked members who had not yet considered nominees, to do so within the next few days and submit the names to him by Friday, June 27. He will then develop a master list and send it out via e-mail to each Council member for consideration prior to the next meeting.

The Chairman reported that Mont Evans of the City of Riverton has been asked to be the UTIC elected official form a municipality. The chairman previously met with Mr. Evans to discuss his role on the Council. Mr. Evans was unable to attend this meeting but will be attending upcoming Council meetings.

Status of the UTIC website: Rob Murdock reported on the status of the www.utahtech.org website which is the website that was originally developed for the Technology Industry working group. That website is currently password protected.

It was decided that the new website should not be password protected since UTIC meetings are public meetings. The website will be hosted on the State's server. The content of the website should include meeting minutes, a list of council members, their contact information and term of office, the Charter document, etc. Outside support will be sought to help develop the website since the State's resources are limited at this time. Kevin Cummings offered the use of his company resources to assist with this project.

Discussion also took place on the question of whether or not to include other content which requires a higher level of maintenance such as list of sub-committees and issues they are working on, meeting schedules, reports and research information, links to articles about what other States are doing, etc. No decision was made on this issue.

Issue Development Process: A working group comprising of the members present at this meeting, will meet at the DCED on Friday June 27 and weekly thereafter, with a view to developing an initial agenda of issues for the Council to address. A brainstorming retreat will subsequently be organized, at which time an organizational structure will be developed which will include the creation of subcommittees. Chairpersons to those subcommittees will also be appointed at that time. Stan Lockhart offered the use of the Micron offices as a venue for the retreat.

It was suggested that the DBED Director, Jeff Gochnour be invited to one of the meetings to give an overview of the State's economic development continuum. Another resource for information is the technology industry reports developed by the Utah Technology Alliance committees, task groups and MBA interns.

Next meeting: The next 2 council meetings will be held on July 8th and 22nd at 8:00am at the DCED offices.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.